What Is Claimed Is:

- 1. A magnetoresistive layer system, in an environment of a magnetoresistive layer stack (14) that works particularly on the basis of the GMR effect or the AMR effect, a layer array (15) being provided which generates a magnetic field which acts upon the magnetoresistive layer stack (14), and the layer array (15) having at least one hard magnetic layer (12) and one soft magnetic layer (13).
- The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in Claim 1, wherein the hard magnetic layer (12) and the soft magnetic layer (13) are ferromagnetically exchange coupled.
- 3. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in Claim 1 or 2, wherein the layer array (15) is situated on and/or below and/or next to the layer stack (14).
- 4. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the layer array (15) has a plurality of soft magnetic layers (13) and hard magnetic layers (12), which are particularly able to be combined into layer pairs having a hard magnetic layer (12) and a soft magnetic layer (13) that is adjacent to it.
- 5. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the soft magnetic layer (13) is made of a CoFe alloy, Co, Fe, Ni, an FeNi alloy as well as magnetic alloys which contain these materials.
- 6. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the soft magnetic layer (13) has a thickness between 1 nm and 50 nm, especially 1 nm to 10 nm.
- 7. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the hard magnetic layer (12) is made up of a CoCrPt alloy, a CoSm alloy, a CoCr alloy, a CoCrTa alloy, a CoPt alloy or an FePt alloy.
- 8. The magnetoresistive layer system as recited in one of the preceding claims,

wherein the thickness of the hard magnetic layer (13) is between 20 nm and 100 nm.

9. A sensor element, especially for detecting magnetic fields with respect to strength and/or direction, having a magnetoresistive layer system (5) as recited in one of the preceding claims.